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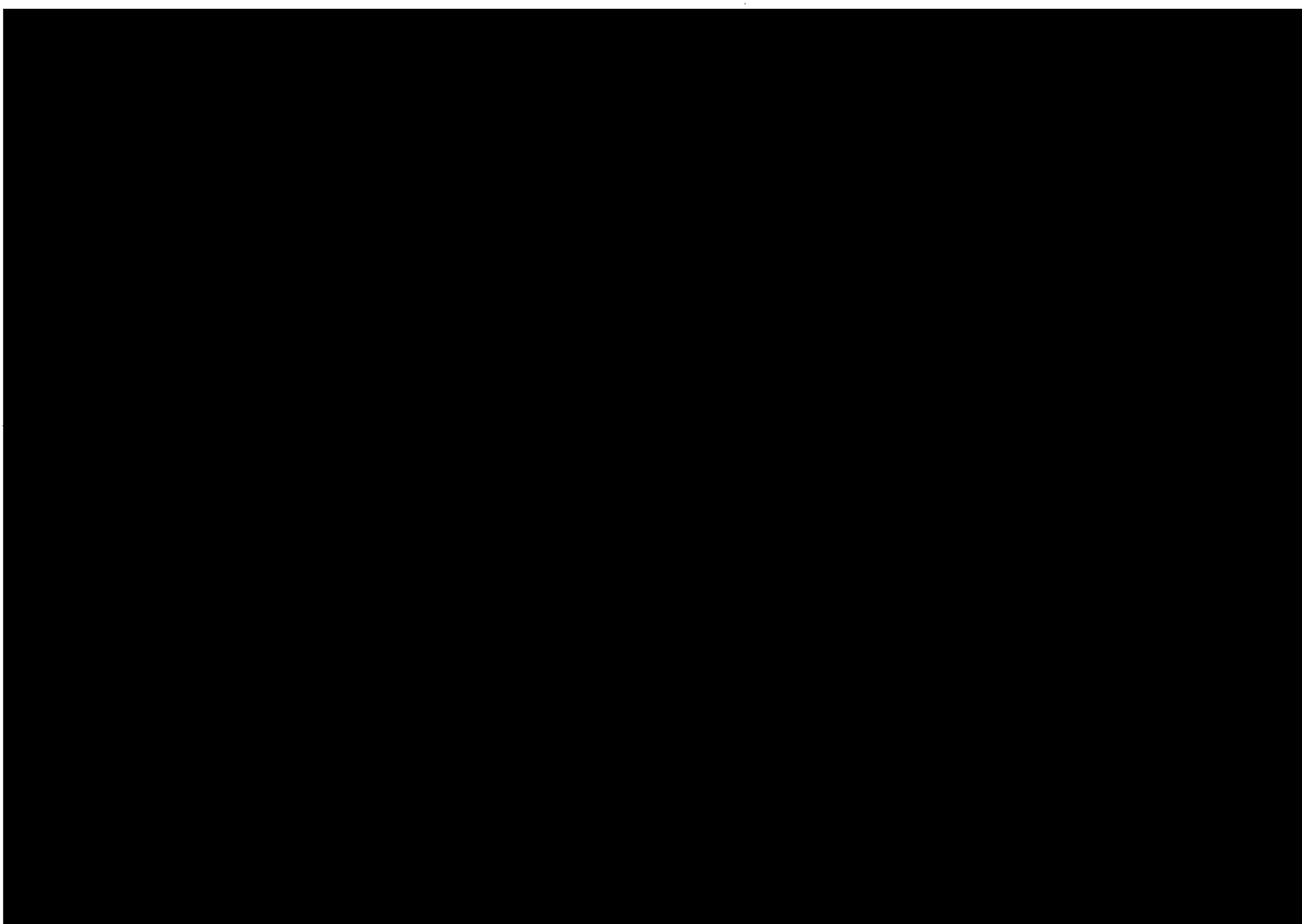
Washington, D.C. 20505

19 OCT 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Zbigniew Brzezinski
Assistant to the President for National
Security Affairs

SUBJECT: Imagery Collection of Cuba

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM: Deputy to the DCI for Collection Tasking
SUBJECT: Request for SR-71 Flight over Cuba

1. Action requested: That you sign the attached memorandum to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. (U)

2. Background: The attached memorandum briefly summarizes the situation regarding imagery collection of Cuba. We have included in the memorandum the specific criteria determining if and when an SR-71 would be flown. Note we have identified in this request that it would be for a single-pass mission and have done that on the basis that this will:

- a. minimize the risk and
- b. allow us to be more forceful in relating the specific mission to favorable weather conditions, i.e. if it were a two-pass mission it could be argued that we should fly the mission in less favorable weather conditions. (TS/TK)

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(2) the summary chart on our collection against Cuba since 27 September. (TS/TK)

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Attachments:
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